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25X1 6. [] JMM) Met with James Kendall, Chief Counsel, Subcommittee on Preparedness Investigating of Senate Armed Services Committee, and, in response to his request, gave him a copy of the "Guide to CIA Statutes and Law." Mr. Kendall said he wished some documentation on the creation, composition and responsibilities of the USIB on an unclassified basis. I said all the formal documents on this question were NSC directives pursuant to Section 102 (d) of the National Security Act of 1947 and that these would have to be obtained, if at all, from the NSC rather than the Agency. Kendall said if necessary he would settle for just a simple statement saying that the questions he had raised were covered by classified NSC directives. I said we would provide him what we could. He said he was raising similar questions regarding the authorities and organization of the NSC, DIA, NSA, INR, PFIAB, and the service intelligence agencies.

25X1 7. [] JMM) Delivered to Jack Ticer, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, a followup paper covering a question put to General Westmoreland by Senator Symington during the course of Committee hearings on the []

25X1 8. [] JMM) Robert Blum, new member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff involved in analyzing the "Pentagon Papers," called to say he would like to meet to discuss arrangements for working with the Agency in his project. He said he and two colleagues, Robert Biles and Ann Hollick, who have DOD security clearances, would also be involved. I explained to him that Mr. [] would be his main point of contact and arranged for them to meet on Tuesday, 7 December, at 2:00 p.m. for discussion with Mr. [] and me.

25X1 9. [] JMM) Ambassador Wymberly Coerr, INR, called to obtain our recommendations regarding the Secretary's comment to the Foreign Relations Committee about the Symington Resolution (S. Res. 192) establishing a select committee to oversee U.S. activities abroad under the authority of the ambassador. I provided some suggested language which made the point that such oversight would conflict with Presidential prerogatives, since the ambassador was the personal representative of the President. Coerr was not sure this would work and as a fallback position suggested language requiring the ambassador to keep the committees "generally informed" rather than "fully informed." I said if this was the best they could do we would probably have to go along with it. I explained that our comments had already been requested by the Armed Services Committee which was also involved.

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25X1 10. [] - JMM) John Marks, on the staff of Senator Clifford P. Case, called to say that he had discussed with the Senator the Director's letter of 16 November (confirming our willingness to brief the Senator privately on certain matters, but not members of his staff). Marks said the Senator found this response "unacceptable" and he was about to call State Department to so inform them. (One of the Senator's questions involved had originally been levied on the State Department, which referred it to the Agency.) He said he had hoped they could handle the matter quietly, but apparently this might not be possible. I thanked Marks for his call.

Called Harry Symmes, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, and told him of Mark's call. I reminded him that I had informed Carl Marcy, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, of the matter, and had also obtained the approval of Senator Stennis for the action we had taken.

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11. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Talked to Mr. [] who told me that Deputy Under Secretary of the Army for International Affairs, David H. Ward, and Major General Bruce Kendall will be appearing before the Panama Canal Subcommittee of the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, and will be testifying among other things on nonmilitary installations in the zone.

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25X1 12. [] JGO) Talked to Mr. Arthur Kuhl, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, who told me that Mr. Robert A. Blum has received a TS clearance from DOD by letter from Rady Johnson, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), dated 8 November 1971. Miss Susan Grace Scales McMahon, Mr. Kuhl's assistant, was granted a TS clearance by DOD by letter from Rady Johnson dated 29 September 1971. Mr. Kuhl noted, in passing, that Mr. Blum is doing research for the Committee relating to the "Pentagon Papers." Although the research is scheduled to cover many years of Committee testimony, Mr. Kuhl is not familiar with the status of this project.

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